

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Previously Presented) A method of service provisioning in a telecommunications system comprising (1), which telecommunications system (1) is comprised of configurations of at least two service switching points (SSP), at least two service capability servers (SCS) for providing services to users and service provisioning equipment, wherein the method comprises:

responsive to a request from a user for a user interaction sequence, via a call control service capability server (CCSCS), an application on an application server forwarding the request to a user interaction service capability server (UISCS)

the UISCS reserving a port on the service provisioning equipment in order to perform the user interaction sequence;

notifying the CCSCS of the service provisioning equipment location; and

instructing the CCSCS to connect the user to the service provisioning equipment via the at least two service switching points. service switching point (SSP) (4,5), service capability server (SCS) (6,7) and service provisioning equipment (10), which configurations are configured to provide services to users (2), wherein the provisioning of at least one of said services requires the involvement of more than one service capability server (6,7), characterized in that the course of action required to set up the service is controlled via direct interaction (23,36) between the service capability servers (6,7) involved.

2. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 1, wherein said interaction sequence (25,36) comprises exchanging of instructions.

3. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 2, wherein said instructions trigger the establishing [[[26)]] of a communication link between a user [[[2)]] and the service provisioning equipment [[[10)]] of said telecommunications system [[[1)]]].

4. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 3, wherein prior to said direct interaction ~~(25, 36)~~ between the at least two service capability servers ~~(6, 7)~~ involved, at least one of said service capability servers ~~(6, 7)~~ instructs said service provisioning equipment ~~[[(10)]]~~ to reserve at least one communication port for establishing said communication link.

5. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 3 ~~[[or 4]]~~, wherein following upon said direct interaction ~~(25, 36)~~ between said service capability servers ~~(6, 7)~~, one of said service capability servers ~~(6, 7)~~ instructs ~~[[an]]~~ one of the at least two service switching point ~~(4, 5)~~ to establish ~~[[(26)]]~~ a connection with said service provisioning equipment ~~[[(10)]]~~.

6. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 3 ~~any of the claims 3-5~~, wherein said establishing of a communication link is the establishing of a speech channel.

7. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 3 ~~any of the claims 3-6~~, wherein ~~upon establishment of said communication link~~, at least one of ~~said equipment involved in the connection reports (29)~~ further comprising:

reporting the establishment of said communication link to one of the ~~said~~ service capability servers ~~(6, 7)~~ involved in the provisioning of service.

8. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 3 ~~any of the previous claims 3-7~~, wherein ~~upon establishment of said communication link~~, further comprising:

one of said service capability servers instructing ~~(6, 7)~~ instructs ~~(31)~~ the service provisioning equipment ~~[[(10)]]~~ to perform an interaction sequence with said user ~~[[(2)]]~~.

9. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 8, wherein said service provisioning equipment ~~[[(10)]]~~ reports ~~[[(33)]]~~ the results of said user ~~[[(2)]]~~ interaction sequence to one of said service capability servers ~~(6, 7)~~.

10. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 3 further comprising:

upon receiving results of the user interaction, the application instructing the UISCs to close the connection between the user and the provisioning service equipment.

~~any of the claims 3-9, wherein said interaction between service capability servers (6,7) involved in the provisioning of service comprises~~

~~the exchange of instructions (36) triggering the disconnection (37) of said communication.~~

11. (Currently Amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 1 ~~any of the previous claims~~, wherein said service provisioning equipment ~~[(10)]~~ comprises:

a resource server, such as a media server ~~[(10)]~~, and wherein said interaction between said service capability servers (6, 7) triggers the setup and disconnection of ~~[[a]]~~ the communication link between the [[a]] user [(2)] and said resource server.

12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) An arrangement ~~[(1)]~~ for the provisioning of services via a telecommunications network ~~[(3)]~~, comprising:

at least two service switching points (SSP) for setting up communications connections between users and service provisioning equipment;

at least two service capability servers (SCS) for providing services to the users comprising a call control service capability server (CCSCS) and a user interaction service capability server (UISCs), wherein the CCSCS, passes a request for a user interaction sequence to an application running on

an application server, the application server managing the at least two service capability servers; and

the UISCs being instructed to reserve a port on the service provisioning equipment to perform the user interaction sequence, inform the application of the port reservation, notify the CCSCS of the service provisioning equipment location and

instruct the CCSCS to connect the user to the service provisioning equipment via the at least two service switching points.

~~such as a universal mobile telecommunications system (UMTS), which arrangement is comprised of configurations of service switching points (SSP) (4,5), service capability servers (SCS) (6,7), and service provisioning equipment (10), wherein the provisioning of at least one of said services requires the involvement of more than one service capability server (6,7), characterized in that the service capability servers (6,7) involved in the provisioning of said service are arranged for controlling the course of action required to set up the service via direct interaction (25,36) through a connection (18) between said service capability servers (6,7).~~

14. (New) The arrangement according to claim 13, wherein the telecommunication system is a universal mobile telecommunications system (UMTS).

15. (New) The arrangement according to claim 13, wherein said instructions trigger the establishing of a communication link between a user and the service provisioning equipment of said telecommunications system.

16. (New) The arrangement according to claim 14, wherein following upon said direct interaction between said service capability servers, one of said service capability servers instructs one of the at least two service switching point to establish a connection with said service provisioning equipment.

17. (New) The arrangement according to 15 wherein the establishing of a communication link is the establishing of a speech channel.